

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

TITLE: ANNUAL REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Committee: Regulatory Services Committee

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1.0 ISSUE

1.1 To receive the Annual Reports from appointed Council representatives on the activities and manner in which funding is spent by the outside bodies within the responsibility of the Regulatory Services Committee.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Annual reports from appointed Council representatives on the activities and manner in which funding is spent by the outside bodies within the responsibility of the Regulatory Services Committee, be noted.

3.0 BACKGROUND/OPTIONS

3.1 As part of the amendments to the Constitution approved at Council on 22nd May 2012, the Terms of Reference of all relevant Committees were revised in order to give them the authority to appoint to outside bodies within their remit, from the wider membership of the Council, for a period of up to 4 years. This means that representation will normally only be reviewed within the 4 year period between elections where there is a change of circumstances/status, a Member resigns, or there is a vacancy on a body.

3.2 With the introduction of a re-structured committee system from May 2017, the list of Outside Bodies has been reviewed and the Bodies allocated to reflect the areas of service delivery. Attached at Appendix 1 is the list of Outside Bodies currently within the remit of the Regulatory Services Committee.

3.3 Attached at Appendix 2 are copies of the information pages from the Outside Bodies Booklet, giving details of the aims and activities of the individual Outside Bodies within the remit of the Regulatory Services Committee, together with a copy of the Annual Report submitted by the Councillor representative(s) on that Body. Of particular note in the Councillors' Annual Reports, will be the comments that they have made as to how the work of the Outside Body supports the Corporate objectives of the Council and whether continued representation on the Body is worthwhile.

3.4 Members are asked to note that a review of the list of Outside Bodies was conducted in early 2017. Having consulted the ECDC Contact Officers and taken into consideration comments made by the appointed representative(s)

for each Body, the following three organisations have been removed from the 2017/18 list:

- Cambridge Airport Consultative Committee – this was originally added to the Outside Bodies list when it was thought that the airport site was going to be redeveloped for housing. As this did not go ahead, it is considered that the Airport Committee no longer needs to remain on the list;
- Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust – neither the Conservation Officer nor ECDC’s appointed representative attend meetings of the Trust;
- Cambridgeshire Quality Charter for Growth Steering Group – this Group is unlikely to meet again, as it has been superseded by the new Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority.

3.4 Members are asked to receive the Annual Reports from Councillors, and to note the list of Outside Bodies allocated to the Regulatory Services Committee.

4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

4.1 There are no additional cost implications arising from this report.

5.0 APPENDICES

5.1 Appendix 1 – List of Outside Bodies currently within remit of Regulatory Services Committee.

Appendix 2 – Information pages from Outside Bodies Booklet, giving details of aims and activities of individual Outside Bodies within remit of Regulatory Services Committee, together with copies of Annual Reports submitted by Councillor representatives on the Bodies.

Background Documents

Location

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None

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